## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4 as follows:

Claims 1-3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A membrane artificial lung for performing gas exchange between blood and a gas via the membrane by flowing blood on a first surface of the membrane and flowing oxygen or an oxygen-containing gas on a second opposing surface of the membrane, said membrane comprising:

a hollow fiber membrane comprising poly-4-methylpentene-1, and having an oxygen permeation rate Q(O<sub>2</sub>) at 25 °C of from  $\frac{5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ to } 2 \times 10^{-3}}{1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ to } 3 \times 10^{-3}}$  (cm<sup>3</sup>(STP)/cm<sup>2</sup>.sec.cmHg) and an ethanol flux of from 0.1 to 100 ml/min.m<sup>2</sup>; and

an ionic complex provided on said first surface of said membrane, said ionic complex comprising:

a first quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt having from 22 to 26 carbon atoms in total;

a second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt having from 37 to 40 carbon atoms in total; and

heparin or a heparin derivative.

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Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The membrane artificial lung according to claim 4, said first quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises 5 to 35 wt% of the weight of said first and said second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salts, and said second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises from 65 to 95 wt% of said weight of said first and said second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salts.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The membrane artificial lung according to claim 4, said first quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises a dimethyldiododecylammonium salt and said second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises a dimethyldioctadecylammonium salt.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The membrane artificial lung according to claim 5, said first quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises a dimethyldiododecylammonium salt and said second quaternary aliphatic alkylammonium salt comprises a dimethyldioctadecylammonium salt.